

RESOLUTION NO. 2025/2026-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FLORIDA AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION (AHCA) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE RURAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM; DESIGNATING THE COUNTY MANAGER AS THE AUTHORIZED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE (AOR); AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (“AHCA”) administers the Rural Health Transformation Program (“RHT Program”), which provides funding opportunities to support healthcare access and related initiatives in rural communities; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified challenges relating to healthcare accessibility, emergency response logistics, and the availability of specialized clinical resources within certain rural areas of Clay County; and

WHEREAS, the County has developed a regional framework known as the Clay County Rural Health Integrated Network (CC-RHIN) to facilitate bundled healthcare initiatives, including mobile health units and community paramedicine programs, to address identified healthcare needs; and

WHEREAS, AHCA has announced funding opportunities under the RHT Program with an application deadline of June 10, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Clay County desires to submit an application for funding under the RHT Program to support rural health initiatives within the County and to designate the County Manager as the County’s Authorized Organization Representative (AOR); and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that pursuing available grant funding to enhance healthcare access and services within Clay County serves a valid public purpose and promotes the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Clay County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida (the “Board”) hereby authorizes the submission of a grant application to the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration for funding under the RHT Program to support implementation of the Clay County Rural Health Integrated Network (CC-RHIN) and related healthcare initiatives.

Section 2. The Board hereby designates the County Manager as the County’s Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) for the RHT Program. The County Manager is authorized to prepare, execute, submit, and amend the grant application and all related certifications, assurances,

reports, and other documents required in connection with the grant application and application process. Acceptance of any grant award and execution of any grant agreement shall be subject to applicable County policies and procedures and any required Board approval.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida this 9th day of June, 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Kristen Burke, Its Chairman

ATTEST:

Tara S. Green
Clay County Clerk of Court and Comptroller
Ex Officio Clerk to the Board